

Applicant: Pekka Koivukunnas et al.
Application No.: 10/069,203
Response to the Office action dated Feb. 2, 2004

Remarks

Claims 7-8, 10, and 14-20 remain pending in the application. Claim 11 has been canceled. In the Office action dated Feb. 2, 2004 claims 11, 15, 16, 17 and 18 were rejected as indefinite, and claims 10, 11 and 17 were rejected as the unpatentable over JP 5331793 in view of *Bubik et al.* Claims 7, 8, 14, 19 and 20 were allowed.

In reviewing the examiner's action it appears that claim 8 not claim 11, was intended to be rejected as indefinite along with claim 16 to which it is nearly identical. Claims 8 and 16 have been amended to recite the specific step of increasing the running speed of the Yankee cylinder and compensating for the loss in gloss and smoothness by calendering after the Yankee cylinder.

In claims 16, 17, and 18, the objected-to use of the word "and technology" has been struck from the claims. Claims 16 and 18 which were all objected to on the basis of indefiniteness should therefore be allowable.

Claims 10, and 17 have been amended to more clearly claim a paper web in the combination with a Yankee dryer and an extended nip press. The paper web is a structural element having particular claimed properties namely a moisture of 50% to 80% when engaged with a Yankee dryer. Therefore, properties of the web, which are part of the claimed structure should be given weight, and because the structural limitations of the web in combination with the other claimed elements distinguish over the art of record, it is submitted that claims 10, 17 should be allowed.

Applicant believes that no new matter has been added by this amendment.

Applicant submits that the claims, as amended, are in condition for allowance. Favorable action thereon is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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